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SUBJECT: ARCHBISHOP SERAPHIM OF GREECE

1. AS A RESULT OF A PHONE CALL FROM THE ARCHBISHOP'S OFFICE, EMBOFF VISITED THE ARCHBISHOP AND WAS TOLD THAT A PHONE CALL HAD JUST BEEN RECEIVED FROM THE METROPOLITAN OF PAPHOS, CYPRUS INDICATING THAT THE TURKS WERE SLAUGHTERING THE UNARMED POPULATION. THE ARCHBISHOP WAS VERY CONCERNED AND ASKED THAT THE U.S. GOVERNMENT DO EVERYTHING IT CAN TO STOP THE SLAUGHTER AND PREVENT RECURRENCES. ARCHBISHOP STATED THAT ALL POSSIBLE EFFORTS MUST BE MADE ON THE PART OF THE U.S. AS WELL AS OTHER POWERS TO BRING PEACE TO CYPRUS AND MORE IMPORTANTLY, TO PREVENT THE ESCALATION OF THE CYPRUS CONFLICT INTO A WAR BETWEEN GREECE AND TURKEY.

2. THE ARCHBISHOP APPEARED VERY CONCERNED AND OBVIOUSLY HAD BEEN WORKING MANY HOURS. A CONSTANT STREAM OF RELIGIOUS AIDES AND ADVISORS WERE APPARENT.

3. IT WILL BE RECALLED THAT ARCHBISHOP SERAPHIM IS A VERY CLOSE FRIEND OF PRESIDENT GHIZIKIS, HIS SISTER HAVING
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BEEN THE PRESIDENT'S DECEASED WIFE.

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